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Claims 22-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 22-23 are duplicates of claims 12 and 13. It is not clear what is intended. Does applicant mean for claim 22 to depend on claim 21 and claim 23 to depend on claim 20?

Claims 10-13,22-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Weisberger et al (5807599) for the same reason set forth in the previous office action.

Claims 20-21 are allowable for the same reason set forth for the now cancelled claim 14, as set forth in the previous office action.

In the response filed Nov. 3, 2003, applicant traverses the rejection. Applicant argues there are many alternatives to filling a product and applicant's method is not considered obvious in view of the other more likely alternatives. This argument is not persuasive because the alternatives methods set forth by applicant are not the ones disclosed in the prior art used in the rejection. Weiberger et al disclose a syringe to fill a product. It would have been obvious to manipulate the syringe so that the filling material will get inside and then be injected into the product. Applicant does not argue this position. While applicant states that applicant's method is not obvious in view of the teaching and implications of the Weiberger et al reference, applicant does not set forth any reason of how the claimed method is not obvious over Weiberger et al.

Applicant's arguments filed Nov. 3, 2003 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

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THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lien T Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-1408. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cano Milton can be reached on  $\frac{57/-373-13\%}{703-308-3959}$ . The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-0987.

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